



## Syllabus

### INTRODUCTION TO SYNTAX - 25150

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HU Credits: 2

Responsible Department: Hebrew Language

Academic year: 0

Semester: 1st Semester

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

Campus: Mt. Scopus

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Teaching Staff:

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Course/Module description:

*The course will introduce basic concepts in syntax as applied to Hebrew texts.*

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Course/Module aims:

*Familiarity with basic concepts in the syntax of Hebrew (with a focus on Modern Hebrew), from a descriptive, typological, and pre-theoretic perspective.*

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

*Define basic concepts in syntax.  
Use syntactic terminology.  
Analyze basic syntactic constructions in Modern Hebrew texts.*

Attendance requirements(%):

100

*Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Concepts and examples will be introduced and discussed in class, accompanied by homework assignments for further practice.*

Course/Module Content:

- *What is syntax?*
- *Parts of speech*
- *Syntactic phrases*
- *Syntactic relations*
- *Sentence types (semantic and syntactic criteria)*
- *Syntactic ambiguity*
- *Syntactic valency (transitivity)*
- *Nominal sentences*
- *Word order and information structure*

Required Reading:

*See syllabus in Hebrew.*

Additional Reading Material:

*Encyclopedia of Hebrew language and linguistics (G. Khan, ed.), 2013, Brill: online access from campus.*

*Glinert, L. 1989. The grammar of Modern Hebrew. Cambridge University Press.*

*Jespersen, O. 1965. The philosophy of grammar. W. W. Norton.*

*Jo<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>on, Paul and T. Muraoka. 2006. A Grammar of Biblical Hebrew. 2nd edition.*

*Rome: Editrice Pontificio Istituto biblico. [Syntax]*

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Waltke, Bruce K. and M. O'Connor. 1990. *Introduction to Biblical Hebrew Syntax*. Winona Lake, Indiana: Eisenbrauns.

אזר, משה. 1995. תחביר לשון המשנה. ירושלים: האקדמיה ללשון העברית, הוצאת הספרים של אוניברסיטת חיפה.

גושן-גוטשטיין, משה. 2006. תחבירה ומילונה של הלשון העברית שבתחום השפעתה של הערבית. ירושלים.

Rabin, Chaim. 2000. *The development of the syntax of post-biblical Hebrew*. Leiden: Brill.

*Course/Module evaluation:*

*End of year written/oral examination 80 %*

*Presentation 0 %*

*Participation in Tutorials 0 %*

*Project work 0 %*

*Assignments 20 %*

*Reports 0 %*

*Research project 0 %*

*Quizzes 0 %*

*Other 0 %*

*Additional information:*